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RESOURCES OF AN APPLICATION PROGRAM  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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This Preliminary Amendment is being filed in connection with the concurrently filed Request For Continued Examination (RCE) to address the rejections set forth in the Final Rejection mailed on August 23, 2003 (the "Final Rejection"). A petition for a one month extension is included with the RCE.

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 18 of this paper.